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As far as known all the Mastens in America are descended from John Masten, an Englishman, who came from Holland to New York, probably as a soldier in the Dutch Service, about 1640. All the Mastens in Hendricks County are descendants of Mathias and Sarah Stanley Masten, who came to this county in 1833 from Stokes, now Forsythe County, North Carolina. In studying and compiling the history and genealogy of the family, and tracing the descent of Mathias Masten, we have received our information from old records, and from local history of the early settling of New York, Delaware, North Carolina, and Indiana. Copies of the old records and history have been furnished us by and through the kindness of Arthur H. Masten, an attorney of New York City, and a member of the Holland Society of New York; John Mathias Masten of Washington City who was connected with the United States Post Office for more than than forty years; J. Gilmer Korner, an attorney of Washington City who was appointed by President Coolidge in 1923 as a member of the first Board of U. S. Tax Appeals; James P. Masten of Coatesville, Pennsylvania; his sister Miss Rhoda Masten, Superintendent of the Public Schools of Coswald, Delaware; Mrs. Alice Masten Korner of Kornersville, North Carolina; Mrs. Blanche Armfield Pickens of High Point, North Carolina, and others.

Arthur H. Masten wrote that he had learned from the Old Dutch Church Records and from local history of the first settling of New York, that John Masten, an Englishman, came to New York from Holland, probably as a soldier in the Dutch Service, and settled in Flushing. His name is spelled in the old records in many ways. His name appears in the records of the Old Dutch Church as sponser for two children christened in 1644. He is named one of the Patentees in Governor Keith's Patent October 19, 1645. He married a Dutch woman named Djevertje Jans. They had five children, named John, Cornelius, Elizabeth, Trange and Ezekiel. John, the oldest child settled in Flushing, and appeared to have taken the name of Masten. Cornelius settled in Kingston, Ulster County, New York, and took the name Masten. He was married there in 1676. He had two sons and several daughters. His oldest son, Johannes, was baptised there March 31, 1670.(?) The other son, names William, appears to have settled in Delaware. Arthur H. Masten said that he had traced his descent to Johannes.

John Mathias Masten wrote that he found in the Congressional Library, in the Records of the Early Settlers of Ulster County, New York, by Garrett H. Van Wagman, published in New York Genealogical and Biographical Records, Volume XX, the Masten Family



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reading as follows:

"John Masten or Marston was an Englishman, who probably came to this country as a soldier in the Dutch Service. His name appears as Mast, Maste, Masten, Mastin, Maston and Marston. His son, who settled in Flushing, appeared to have adopted the name of Marston, while Cornelius, who settled in Kingston, took the name Masten. February 8, 1644 John Maste, soldier, is sponsor for Jan, child of Hannah Backens.--- He settled in Flushing and is named in Governor Keith's patent (Dutch) October 19, 1645.

The will of John Masten recorded in New York Liber I, page 116- February 14, 1670. Administration granted to John Minchman April 16, 1671. Children of John Masten and Dievertje Jane: Jan, born November 1, 1653, m-November 19, 1677; Cornelius; Elizabeth, born June 3, 1657, m- March 21, 1674; Trange; Ezelliel.

Some time after I became interested in the family history I saw in a newspaper the name of James P. Masten, Dover Delaware. I had learned that our fore-parent, Mathias Masten, his brothers, John, Philip, and Stephen and sisters, Elizabeth and Mary, of whom we had learned, were born and grown to manhood and womanhood in Kent County, Delaware. I wrote him and asked him to tell me of his family and ancestors. In due time I received a reply from him and his sister, Miss Rhoda Masten. They said they had talked with the older ones of the family, had copied entries in old Family Bibles, gone to Hollywood cemetery in Morristown and the Presbyterian Church Yard in Dover and copied inscriptions on tombstones and secured what information they could. From the information they then had they prepared and sent us a fairly complete record and history of their family and ancestors from their Great-grandfather, James Polk Masten, born in Kent County Delaware, October 13, 1773, down to the present. As our great-grandfathers were born in the same county and near the same time, we concluded they were brothers. However we learned later they were first cousins. They could learn nothing further back, but were much interested in our research. We continued our correspondence. In 1924 James P. wrote me and said if I could visit him, we would go down to Dover and Harrington, and make a thorough investigation of the records and visit the older ones of the family. He said there are many Mastens and relatives of the Mastens living in and around Harrington. James P. was then living near Coatesville, Chester County, Pennsylvania. Cousin Anna Masten Korner of Korneraville, North Carolina was interested with me in our research work. I told her of my correspondence with the folks in Delaware and what I had learned of the Masten family there. She sent my letters to her son, J. Grier Korner, an attorney at Washington. He immediately got in communication with James P. Masten and arranged to visit him. They then went to the home of James P.'s two sisters, Rhoda and Mary at Coswold, Delaware. Miss Rhoda is Superintendent of the schools at Coswold.







From there Rhoda went with them to Harrington where they spent a few days visiting the Mastens and relatives, and met many of them. All were much interested in his work. He found however that they knew but little of the family history back of a hundred years, so that he could learn from them but little more of the early history of the family than we already knew. He said however, he secured copies of entries in old Family Bibles and from inscriptions on tombstones in Hollywood Cemetery in Harrington and the Presbyterian Church Yard in Dover, that proved to be of much assistance in his work thereafter. They then went to Dover and he and Rhoda spent three days searching through the Records in the Office of Register of Deeds in the Court House and made a roster of all warrants, patents, deeds, wills, and letters of administration in which the Masten name appears. \*

In his will, Mathias Masten names his wife, Hester, and eleven children. Hester was his second wife. The children of his first wife were Elizabeth, John, Mathias, Hanna, and Mary. The names of Hester's children were Rachel, Philip, Sarah, Stephen, Ruth, and Zachariah. Hester's children were young when their father died. Elizabeth, John, and Mathias had been living in North Carolina about fifteen years. Hannah married a man named Allen. Mary married a man named Wingate. She had two daughters. Her family moved to Washington, Daviess County, Indiana about 1828, where she died, and is buried in the old Cemetery at that place. After their mother's death the daughters left there, and we have learned no more of them. Of Hester's three daughters we have learned nothing but their names. Uncle Eli Masten and Mathias (Mat) Mastentold me about two brothers, Atwell and Daniel Cane, and some sisters named McIntyre who visited here many years ago. They were first cousins to Grandfather John. Their homes were in Delaware. We suppose they were children of Hester's daughters. Zachariah, the youngest child of Mathias and Hester, died in 1808, when he was 20 years old. Philip, the oldest son of Hester, was born November 2, 1779. He was a soldier in the second war with Great Britain, and served under General Jackson. Philip lived for a time in Chillicothe, Ohio. Andrew Jackson, when going from the Hermitage, his home in Tennessee, to Washington to be inaugurated President of the United States in 1829, stopped in Chillicothe and spent the night in the home of Philip Masten. A great-granddaughter of Philip told me she remembered hearing her grandmother, Sarah Masten Martin, tell about sitting on Andrew Jackson's knees, and hearing him tell about his Indian Campaigns. In 1830, Philip with his wife, two daughters and one son moved to Washington, Daviess County, Indiana where he died January 1, 1841. He is buried in the Old Cemetery at that place. Some of his descendants still live in the southwestern part of Indiana. Stephen, the other son of Hester was born in 1785. In 1828, with his family, he moved from Kent County, Delaware to Daviess County, Indiana. Here he engaged in flat-boating, hauling the products of the country down the rivers to New Orleans. While on one of these trips he died on the boat in New Orleans of cramp-colic (possibly of appendicitis) in May 1842. He was the grandfather of John M. Masten who was connected with the United States Post Office Department for more than forty years.

\* Five pages of Warrants, Deeds, etc.







Elizabeth, oldest child of Mathias Masten, was born in Kent County, Delaware, in 1758. She married a man named Griffin. He lived but a short time after. She married Richard Clampet in 1778. The next year they went to North Carolina and located in Guilford County, near Kernersville. They had four children, named Jane Elizabeth, Richard, Dinah and John. Jane Elizabeth married Nicholas Talley in 1817. They had eleven children. Many of their descendants live in Forsythe and Guilford Counties. Richard Jr. was a soldier in the War of 1812 in the 2nd North Carolina Regiment. He never married. He became wealthy and died in Raleigh during the war between the States. His heirs never knew what became of his estate. John, youngest son of Elizabeth, left Carolina when young and the folks back there never knew much more about him. He came to Hendricks County, Indiana and located on land northwest of Stilesville. Here he reared a family of three sons, Albert, Richard and John, and two daughters, Phoebe and Elizabeth. Albert married Mary Page. They had one son, Marcus, born March 23, 1850. He married Mary Whitlow. They had three children, Albert, Henry and Minnie. Albert married Emma Hollingsworth, and they have one child, Grace. They live in Detroit, Michigan. Henry married Blanch Russel, and they had two boys, Christopher and John. Minnie married George McCloud and they had three children, Mitchel, Robert and Bernice. Mitchel married Anna Maxwell, died in 1930, left one son Paul Robert, born in 1928. Richard married Catherine Orth. They had four daughters, Mary, Anna, Frances, and Florence. He was a soldier in the Civil War and returned home very much disabled. A few years later he moved to Iowa. Phoebe married Ben Tinker. Elizabeth married Lewis West. They had two children, Rosa and Lee. Lewis West died in Libby Prison. Elizabeth later married Marion Davidson and they moved to Iowa. John, the youngest child of this family, was a captain in the United States Army and was stationed on the Kansas Border at the beginning of the Rebellion. He was captured by the rebels but escaped. I remember hearing him tell how he escaped and swam the Mississippi River five times to get away from his captors. After the war he came back to Hendricks County and remained a few years. He left here and it was never known what became of him. He told his sister Elizabeth he was going back to the army. That was the last his folks ever saw or heard of him. In the report of the Custer Massacre the name of John C. Clampet was in the list of slain. If it were this John Clampet, it was never verified.

Richard Clampet Sr. died December 8, 1820. Elizabeth married Ruben Shields. She died October 20, 1849, aged 91 years. She and her two last husbands are buried in the Old Muddy Creek Graveyard, an old Friends Graveyard near Kernersville, North Carolina.

John, oldest son of Mathias Masten, was born March 23, 1761. Soon after the close of the War for American Independence, about 1785, he and his younger brother, Mathias, left Delaware and started south in search of warmer country. They stopped in Wachovia, North Carolina, three miles east of the Old German Moravian settlement, Salem. They bought land of the Moravians. John's land lay on the high land on the north side of a large basin of swamp land.







known as the bottom land along the Middle Fork of Muddy Creek, called the Wach. Mathias' land lay on the south side of the bottom land. They built them a log house on John's land, a short distance back from and well to the west end of the bottom land, and began the work of making their farms. Soon after they came here they were robbed of everything they had; food, clothing, bedding and all. About two years after they came here John was united in marriage with Elizabeth Stanley, daughter of Ruben Stanley. This union was blessed with six children, Mary, Rhoda, Mathias, William, Joseph and Matilda. In the fall of 1789 John bought of Fred William Marshall 106 acres of the bottom land on the north side of the creek joining his other land for 85 pounds and 8 shillings. Mathias bought of the same man 29½ acres on the south side of the creek joining his other land for 30 pounds. All this land which was now owned by the brothers was continuously in the possession of the Masten Family until 1832 when the bottom land and some of the surrounding high land was sold to the city of Winston-Salem. A concrete dam about 100 feet long and 26 feet high was erected across the lower end making of this bottom land an artificial lake covering about 300 acres from which the city derives its water supply. James R. Masten told me that for many years, more than 2000 acres lying east of Winston-Salem all belonged to the Masten Family. Henry Masten told me, in June 1932, that more than 1500 acres now belongs to decedents of John and Mathias Masten.

Mathias, the younger one of the brothers who went from Delaware to North Carolina, was born in Kent County, Delaware, March 9, 1765. His boyhood days were spent on his father's farm. When Washington with his army was going down across the country to attack Cornwallis at Yorktown, Mathias joined the army and fought in the battle of Yorktown in October 1781 when he was but 16 years old. He told his grandchildren about picking a spent ball out of his captain's breast with his pocket knife. Mathias was but a youth when he went to Carolina and lived with his brother several years. December 9, 1794, when he was near 30 years old, he was married to Sarah Stanley, a sister of Elizabeth, John's wife. He was ten years her senior. He built them a home near the edge of the swamp land, well to the west end, on the lower part of a long slope that extends back to the south several hundred yards. This is now owned by the city of Winston-Salem and has been lying idle for several years. It is covered with a growth of grass, briars, grapevines and shrubbery of various kinds.

We searched the records of the Moravian Land Office in Winston-Salem and other offices but failed to find any records giving the date, number of acres and price paid, of the first purchase of John and Mathias Masten.

"The ninth day of November, one thousand seven hundred ninety nine, Mathias Masten bought of Frederic William Marshall that part of the Bottom Land lying between the creek and his other land. The following is a copy of the deed received by him for the land."

In a letter, dated November 14, 1842, written by him to his oldest son, Darius, at Salem, Stokes County, North Carolina, he tells of some of the trials and hardships of the early settlers of Indiana.







State of Indiana, Hendricks County,  
November 14, 1842.

I received a letter from thee on the 10th of this month dated July 17, 1842, which is the first I have had for a long time. I have written to thee both by private and by mail but it seems thee could not have gotten them. I have been low and am so yet so that I can hardly sit to write. Thy mother is scarcely able to get about. Charlotte and David are both well----- Stephen Masten died last May and he is the last of my stepmother's children. His son Mathias came to visit this fall and my sister Mary was then living.

We had a good season here for cropping. Wheat was good, also the oats. My oats were from six to seven feet high and stood up well, but the wheat was much tangled. We have a great mast both of beech and oak, and hogs are full and fat. I have twenty hogs that I want to sell but the highest price that I am offered is one dollar and twentyfive cents, and that in script, good on Illinois and that is fifty cents below par so it is but sixty two and a half cents per hundred. Wheat is worth twenty five cents per bushel and corn ten cents and everything else is low accordingly ----- Fruit is plentiful. I had peaches a plenty and apples that is of much better sort than I had there. I have four kinds of plums among which are the German plums. It grows as large as a peach and the best thee ever saw. Also two kinds of grapes,----- The first week in this month was so warm that one could scarcely wear their clothes but on the 6th there fell a snow about shoe deep and on the 11th about as much more and it has been cloudy ever since so that it is melting but little.

David and I have lost about two hundred dollars in actual cash for property sold. Some run away some take insolvent oaths and some have taken the bankruptcy law. I sold a good deal of honey at six and three fourths cents a pound. Two men wanted trust for a day or two and now I can't get that, also the same men bought a good chance of bacon and paid me nothing, but that is gone. But the hogs I sold two years ago I expect to get paid for some time for I got a note of William Hayworth and I think he is honest. But the law is so here that you can't collect money but must take property at two thirds its value or wait till they pay. Hezekiah Johnson bought a lot in Stilesville and I traded for the note and when I say pay, he is just like the rest- here is the property take it. But I think it won't always be the law.

Most of our storekeepers are all broken up, most of our trading men and a great many more. All the cry is money and it can't be had. There are but two stores in this county except little petty ones. This summer has been very hot but not like last summer. We had light showers to make corn. I should guess that we shall not have less than 700 or 800 bushels this summer.

I must conclude for I have been two days writing this. I don't know when I shall write again. I don't know when this will be mailed.

Mathias Masten

Address Darius Masten, Joseph Bodenhammer,  
Salem, Stokes County, North Carolina.







Here Mathias and Sarah Masten lived for thirty seven years and reared a family of nine children, all of whom lived to be men and women except one son, Mathias, who died July 20, 1820. at the age of 10 years, 8 months, and 23 days. In 1832, with his wife and youngest children, Charlotte and David, left his home here and moved to Daviess County, Indiana. His sister, Mary Wingate, and two brothers, Philip and Stephen, with their families, came to Daviess County about the same time. He remained here one year then came to Hendricks County and located on land just south of where Coatesville now is, which he had entered from the Government. He lived here the rest of his long life. The old home place is now occupied by the Coatesville Cemetery. He was a member of the Friends Church, a devoted Christian man of strong mind and firm character and good education. He must have been a man of remarkable physical constitution to have endured the trials and hardships that were the lot of the early pioneer. In a letter dated November 14, 1842 written by him to his oldest son, Darius, at Salem, Stokes County, North Carolina, he tells of some of the trials and hardships of the early settlers of Indiana. See above letter)

Mathias Masten Jr., son of Mathias Masten Sr., and his first wife, was born in Kent County, Delaware, March 9, 1765, one of a family of eleven children, all of whom lived to be men and women. A soldier in Washington's Army, he fought in the battle of Yorktown in October 1781, the decisive battle of the war for American Independence, when he was sixteen years old. When twenty years old he left Delaware and started south in search of a warmer country. (Probably walking or on horseback, through a wild and partly unbroken country.) He stopped in Wachovia, North Carolina, bought land of the Moravians and made a farm. On December 9, 1794, when he was 29 years and 8 months old, he was married to Sarah Stanley, daughter of Reuben Stanley. She was 18 years, 6 months, and 18 days old when married. He built them a home and they lived in it 37 years and reared a family of nine children, all of whom lived to be men and women except one son. In 1832 they left this home and came to Indiana, first to Daviess County, then to Hendricks. It was said that he left Carolina on account of slavery. He died in Hendricks County on November 9, 1856, at the age of 91 years and 8 months. Sarah Stanley Masten was born in Surrey County, North Carolina, June 27, 1775, and died in Hendricks County December 15, 1862 at the age of 87 years, 5 months, and 18 days. They lived together 61 years and 11 months. Their bodies were laid to rest back in the orchard on the old home farm. Their graves were marked with suitable tombstones at the time, but in after years these were broken by accident. In 1925 their descendants had placed on their graves a substantial monument with appropriate inscriptions thereon that will tell future generations when their fore-parents lived and died, and that their fore-father was a soldier in the War for American Independence.

Thus we have a short sketch of the life of Mathias Masten, one of the pioneers of Stokes County, North Carolina, and Hendricks County, Indiana.

We are sorry we could not learn more of our Great Grandfather. An account of his travels from Delaware to North Carolina, and from North Carolina to Indiana would certainly be interesting reading. But it is too late.







Mathias Masten Jr. was of the sixth generation, descended from John Masten, the Dutch Soldier, who came to America from Holland about 1640. His children are of the seventh generation. He was the father of nine children, six sons and three daughters. Their names were Darius, Mary, John, Hezekiah, Reuben S., Sarah, Mathias, Charlotte and David. Hezekiah, born May 6, 1801 was engaged to be married and was building his house. The lady to whom he was engaged to be married was stricken with typhoid fever. He went to help care for her and contracted the disease and died November 4, 1826. Mathias, born October 11, 1809 died July, 1830. Charlotte, born June 1, 1812 came to Indiana with her parents when 20 years old. She married Morgan Johnson when about 40 years old, died February 4, 1889. She left no children.

Darius, the oldest child of Mathias and Sarah Masten was born September 21, 1795. He first married Phoebe Stanley, a first cousin. They had one child. The mother died when the child was young. The child died soon after. Through the child Darius inherited and became the owner of slaves. It was said that that was why he did not come to Indiana when the others of the family came. He would not sell his slaves and could not free them nor bring them with him. He never bought nor sold a slave, but kept them till they were freed by Lincoln's Proclamation. He was the only one of Mathias' descendants who ever owned a slave. Darius and Mary Fair were married February 6, 1821. They lived near the old home place of his father. They were the parents of six sons and two daughters. Four of these died young. John F., born April 17, 1823 died March \_\_, 1825; Malvina, born January 11, 1829 died in infancy; Dorothy, born February 8, 1830 died July 27, 1848; and Henry, born July 27, 1839 died October 21, 1849. The other children's names were Mathias, Hezekiah, Robert and Darius Alexander. Darius Masten died January 1, 1858. He was buried in the Masten or Middle Fork Burial Grounds. Mary Fair Masten was born May 5, 1795 and died July 8, 1873. She and her daughter are buried in the Crews Grave Yard.

Mathias, oldest child of Darius and Mary Masten was born December 3, 1821. He was one of the most prominent and widely known men in that part of North Carolina. In politics he was a Republican and an ardent Union supporter. He was never defeated for office. He was elected Sheriff of Forsythe County in 1862, and was reelected for five consecutive terms. He was serving his twelfth year as sheriff when he died at two o'clock A.M. Thursday, February 27, 1873. He was Colonel of the Home Guard Regulars before the war. When permitted no longer to muster his Regiment under the Stars and Stripes, he took the Old Flag to his home where it was cherished and revered as a relic of the Revolution. It was the shrine at which many a patriotic tear was shed. During the four years of horrid war to destroy the Union, his home was the resort of Patriotic Unionists who revered the Flag of their country. He was one of a committee of five Southern Unionists who at the risk of being sent to Castle Thunder, or some other Castle, opened a correspondence with leading men in other parts of the State with the view of testing public sentiment by petition and thereby induce the Governor with the Legislature to call a state convention to relieve North Carolina from the dire ruin secession had precipitated on the country. In the death of Mathias Masten, Forsythe County mourns the loss of one of her most gifted sons. Self made and without the advantage of a liberal education, but possessing great acuteness of intellect and







popularity of manner and a large fund of information he was an able debater, popular speaker and formidable politician as many a political opponent learned to his sorrow on the hustings. On Friday the 28th his remains were followed to their last resting place in Middle Fork Burial Grounds amid an immense concourse of Sympathetic friends and acquaintances". (THE UNION REPUBLICAN, March 6, 1873 )

Mathias Masten and Catherine Masten, his second cousin, daughter of William and Lucy Richards Masten, were united in marriage February 10, 1848. To this union were born six children. Their names were John Henry, Lucy, Millard Filmore, Polly Alice, Parthenia Victoria, and David. David was born May 3, 1868 and died February 5, 1869. Catherine Masten was born April 4, 1825 and died June 21, 1893.

John Henry, born November 3, 1848 married Martha Ann Tise. He was engaged in the mercantile business in Winston-Salem. They were the parents of six children. Mathias, born August 1, 1873; Ida, born September 16, 1875, died October 3, 1878; Jacob, born October 15, 1877, died June 3, 1879; Arthur, born July 6, 1879 died April 15, 1882; Edgar, born February 15, 1883 died April 8, 1883; Henry Purl, born June 27, 1884 died October 7, 1917. John Henry Masten died April 6, 1885. He and his wife and six children are buried in a private plot in Salem Cemetery. Mathias, only child of John Henry who lived to have a family married Marion Lewis. Their children are Lucy, born January 13, 1893; Ida Louise, born August 8, 1894; Alice Victoria, born June 2, 1896; Marion, born June 10, 1898; John Henry, born September 29, 1899 and Margaret Pauline, born July 5, 1904. Ida Louise married Beverly Kyle Millaway. Their children are Beverly Kyle Jr., born November 21, 1915, and George Masten, born February 12, 1920. Marion Masten married T.C. Millaway. John Henry married Ola Knouse. Children were Henry Mathias, born January 2, 1924 and Robert William born July 5, 1925. Mathias Masten died June 14, 1919, aged 45 years, 10 months, and 13 days.

Lucy, oldest daughter of Mathias and Catherine Masten, was born October 30, 1841. She and John C. Sprach were married December 27, 1881. They had three children: Mary Kate, born September 27, 1883; Allie V. born August 12, 1887; and William H., born January 11, 1891. Mary Kate married Charles L. Creech. Their children are Charles L. Jr., born April 27, 1908, married Mary Kate, born April 7, 1910; and John Spach, born July 11, 1914. William H. Sprach married Evalyn Toms. Their children are Lucy Elizabeth, born in 1922; Mary Evalyn, born in 1924; William H. Jr., born July 4, 1925; and Susie born July 25, 1926. John C. Sprach died March 21, 1928. He was owner and manager of the South Side Furniture Factory and South Side Wagon Factory located between Waughtown Street and Sprague Street, and now owned by his son, William H. Sprach and son-in-law Charles L. Creech.

Millard F., son of Mathias and Catherine, was born October 17, 1853. October 5, 1875 he and Josephine Tucker were married. They had three sons: Henry William, born September 26, 1876; Edmond Tucker born September 24, 1878, died January 14, 1914; and Tommy born September 2, 1880, died September 28, 1880. The mother died November 30, 1880. Millard married Lena Lindsay December 10, 1890. They had one daughter, Lydia Katherine, born September 10, 1894. Lena Lindsay Masten died May 2, 1923. In August 1923 Millard







and James R. Masten visited their relatives in Indiana. While here he was taken sick but as soon as he was able they returned home to Winston-Salem where he died October 24, 1923. He and his wives are buried in Salem Moravian Graveyard. Millard, like his father, was much interested in public affairs, was an active politician and a firm believer in the principles of the Republican Party. Henry W. Masten and Florence Eugenia Stockton were married June 15, 1910. They live in Ardmore, Winston-Salem. He is one of the active workers in the Republican Party of Forsythe County, and was twice elected Register of Deeds in the County. He is now engaged in the automobile business and is distributor of the Nash machine in North Carolina. He and his wife are both active workers in Home Moravian Church. Lydia Kate, daughter of Millard, and James H. Barnes were married January 6, 1923. They had two children, a daughter born December 7, 1923 who died in infancy, and Anna Kathaline, born November 12, 1923. They lived at 2434 North Liberty Street, Winston-Salem. Kate died June 1, 1929. She is buried in Salem Graveyard.

Polly Alice, daughter of Mathias Masten was born March 23, 1858. She married Jules Gilmer Korner October 14, 1886. They have two children, Jules Gilmer Jr. and Allie Doree. They lived in Korner's Folly, Kernersville. Jules Gilmer Jr. was born July 24, 1887. He enlisted in the U.S.N. June 1, 1917 at Newport, R.I. from Kernersville, North Carolina as Seaman 2nd Class, was commissioned an Ensign September 9, 1918, was promoted to Lieutenant June 1919. He made two trips to South America in April, May and June, 1918. He was released from active duty September 25, 1919. He is now an attorney in Washington. He and Susan Brown were married October 3, 1917. Their son, Jules Gilmer III was born July 29, 1922. Their home is in Washington. In 1924 he was appointed by President Coolidge a member of the United States Board of Tax Appeals, was the youngest member of the board, and was reappointed in 1926. Allie Doree Korner was born September 9, 1889, married Drewry Lanier Donnel October 12, 1916. Their children are Drewry Lanier Jr., born June 30, 1919. Polly Doree, born August 14, 1923. Their home is on a farm one half mile south of Oak Ridge, Guilford County. Jules Gilmer Korner Sr. was born January 31, 1851 and died November 27, 1924. He is buried in a private lot in the Moravian Graveyard at Kernersville. Jules G. Korner was a noted artist and was the originator of the original advertising sign of the Bull Durham Tobacco Company. He painted the original sign.

Parthenia Victoria, youngest daughter of Mathias Masten, was born March 18, 1860, married Samuel L. Spach November 17, 1887. Their oldest child, Anna Lee was born September 7, 188\_\_, died November 11, 1892, Lillian Gertrude, born June 22, 1892, Catherine Doree, born March 16, 1895, and Julius Christian, born August 1, 1899. Samuel L. Spach is owner of the South Side Flour and Feed Mills situated between Waughtown and Sprague Streets. They live at 409 Sprague Street, Winston-Salem. Lillian Gertrude Spach and William Nicholas Dalton were married June 18, 1913. They live at 419 Sprague Street. Their children are William Nicholas Jr., born September 6, 1916; Samuel Spach born January 30, 1919; Rufus Masten born March 9, 1920; and Lillian's husband, Dr. Dalton has been corner of Forsythe County for several years. Catherine Doree Spach and Zachariah Taylor Bynum were married October 18, 1918. Their children are Zachariah Taylor Jr., born September 6, 1922, and Larkin Spach born December 14, 1923. Julian C. Spach and Margaret Elizabeth Stockton were married March 1, 1923. Their children are







Julian C. Jr., born December 21, 1923, and Madison Stockton, born November 10, 1936. Julian Spach was a soldier in the World War.

Hezekiah, son of Darius and Mary Fair Masten, was born March 8, 1835. He and Sarah Whicker were married December 8, 1846. They had three children, Augusta, Darius and James Robert. Hezekiah died March 27, 1859 leaving the mother with three small children to care for. He is buried in the Middle Fork Burial Grounds. Sarah Whicker Masten was born March 27, 1823 and died January 28, 1897. She is buried in Saint Delights Graveyard. Augusta Masten was born May 29, 1848, married Mahlon Charles, and died December 26, 1912. She and her husband are buried in the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church Graveyard, in the country south of Winston-Salem. They had one son, Robert M. born May 27, 1876. He married Betty Teague. They had two children; Carver born October 20, 1897, died August 18, 1909, and Mark H., born January 31, 1906. Betty Teague Charles was born November 24, 1877 and died September 23, 1907. Roby Charles married Laura V. Sicheloff. They had one child, Frastie, born December 8, 1909. Laura V. Charles died September \_\_, 1932.

Darius, oldest son of Hezekiah and Sarah Whicker Masten, was born June 2, 1850. He married Caroline Smith April 14, 1881. They had five children: Charles, born November 4, 1882; Molly, born April 26, 1884; Elliot, born April 1, 1885, died April 3, 1908; Orvil, born December 11, 1887; Frank, born March 26, 1891. Charles married Etta Beckerdite April 13, 1913. They have two children; Laurence, born September 6, 1914, and Elizabeth, born November 11, 1917. Molly married Charles Phillips December 4, 1903. They have seven children: Coy born October 6, 1907; Ray, born March 4, 1909; Naomi born September 10, 1910; J. Frank born September 24, 1912; James Masten born September 24, 1914; Chester born November 24, 1916; and Clyde born December 15, 1918. Orvil married Lilly Leak October 4, 1914. Their children are: Etta May, born November 16, 1920; Orval Leak, born January 6, 1923; and Frances Caroline, born January 27, 1927. Frank married May Coulter December 23, 1919. Children are Frank M., born October 6, 1920 and Felix Darius, born March 23, 1923. Caroline, Darius' wife died April 29, 1902. Darius married Sally Dillon April 6, 1905. They had three children: Fanny born January 5, 1906, married Clewell Barrier August 10, 1928; Clark, born March 4, 1908; and Ruth born March 7, 1909. Darius Masten died February 23, 1922. Sally Dillon Masten was born November 5, 1872, died September \_\_, 1932. Darius, his two wives and son, Elliot, are buried in Saint Delight's Graveyard.

James Robert, youngest son of Hezekiah and Sarah Masten was born July 29, 1852. He and Sarah A. Lomax were married March 5, 1876. They had five children. W. Oscar, born November 13, 1877; Luther H., born January 24, 1881; Harvey B. born April 8, 1883; Sally born January 6, 1893, died July 26, 1912; and Reuben born May 24, 1894. Oscar and Gertrude Spagh were married June 6, 1917. Their son Lewis was born December 14, 1918. They live on South Main Street, Winston-Salem. He is a traveling salesman for Sherwin-Williams Company, Richmond, Virginia. Luther and Lilly Sapp were married December 14, 1904. Their children are: Kenneth born October 23, 1905; Robert born August 14, 1907; Mildred born July 30, 1909; William born September 13, 1911; Evaline born August 20, 1914; Richard born October 19, 1916; Sarah Belle born October 9, 1920; and Luther Darius born February 1, 1923. Luther entered the Post Office at







Winston-Salem in 1903 when he was 23 years old as an assistant, and still has a good position there. Robert is a dentist in Winston-Salem. Harvey and Jennie Spaugh were married March 20, 1921. The children were: Henry, born March 21, 1922; Frederic Allen born November 10, 1930. Reuben and Leola Jones were married September 21, 1923. Their daughter, Margaret Wilhelmena was born December 24, 1924. Harvey and Reuben are successful on the old farm. James Masten made four visits to Hendricks County and had many friends here. He died November 12, 1926. His wife was born December 18, 1857, and died May 3, 1922. Jim and his three youngest sons lived in the country near the east side of Winston-Salem on Waughtown Street. He, his wife and daughter Sally are buried in the Saint Delights Graveyard.

Robert, son of Darius and Mary Masten, was born December 20, 1826, and married Grace Clinard October 3, 1850. Children were: John C.; Dorothy; Sarah Eliza; Adelin Ann and Hezekiah. He lived at the place where his grandfather, Mathias built his first home. He died October 2, 1914. His wife was born November 26, 1826, and died November 9, 1909. They are buried in the Waughtown Graveyard.

John C., born October 10, 1851 married Ella Jones February 28, 1883 in South Carolina. To them were born eight children, three of whom died young. Howard A. born September 30, 1886 died May 3, 1887; Harold F. born September 18, 1888 died July 3, 1889; and Alice E. born April 12, 1900 died July 4, 1900. Those who lived to be men and women were Grace, Chester, Ethel M., Frank M., and John C. Jr. Grace was born March 22, 1884, married Adam Hipp July 7, 1903. She had four children: Floyd, born May 3, 1904; Notra, born December 10, 1905; John A. born March 4, 1912; and Grace Eloise, born June 19, 1916. Grace died in Winston-Salem August 17, 1920. Chester, born September 12, 1889, married Dulca Holman January 17, 1923. Their son, James Clemens, was born June 7, 1927. Ethel M. born August 22, 1890, married Lawrence Cottingham December 30, 1912. Children were: Ella White, born December 14, 1913; Adel born May 13, 1919; and Willie May born November 3, 1924. Frank S. born June 6, 1893, married Margaret Wooddall. A daughter; Shirley Ann, born January 17, 1923. John C. Jr., born July 3, 1903, married Sue Carlton November 14, 1931.

Dorothy, oldest daughter of Robert Masten was born December 14, 1853, and married William Pegram. They have no children. They live at 308 Greenwood Avenue, Winston-Salem.

Sarah Eliza Masten was born May 26, 1856, married William Alpheus Lindsay February 24, 1897. Their son, Paul Masten Lindsay was born November 8, 1897. He married Catherine Hammond December 4, 1921. Paul Masten Lindsay Jr. was born May 5, 1923.

Adelia Ann Masten was born May 27, 1860, married John Phillips January 10, 1886. The children were: Ophelia born October 9, 1884; Effie born December 27, 1886, died November 30, 1903; and Clyde born May 25, 1891. Ophelia married John C. Reich November 21, 1906. Their children are: Odel born August 23, 1907; Alyne born October 22, 1912; and Dorothy born April 5, 1917. John C. Reich is shipping clerk at Reynolds Tobacco Factory. They live at 1223 West 4th Street, West End, Winston-Salem. Clyde Phillips married Belle Griffith September 30, 1918. He is a M.D. located in Charlotte, North Carolina. John Phillips died November 10, 1925. Adelia Ann







died December 1, 1927. They and their daughter Effie are buried in the Waughtown Cemetery.

Hezekiah, youngest son of Robert Masten, was born January 10, 1866, married Idora Hughes October 26, 1893. They had eight children. Gilmer Bryan born August 9, 1896; Fred Linvel born October 30, 1898; Elizabeth Frances born September 9, 1904; Herbert Edgar born May 16, 1907; Grace Corine born November 20, 1900, died July 10, 1919. Three children died in infancy. Gilmer Bryan and Bertha Fetherstone were married March 15, 1923. Their children were Robert Linvel born December 10, 1922 and Nancy born January 25, 1926. Fred Linvel married Elizabeth Noel. Elizabeth Ann was born August \_\_, 1937. Elizabeth Frances married Thomas Booth. A son Thomas Lynch was born July 27, 1927. Hezekiah Masten died at Roxboro, North Carolina, March 8, 1928.

Darius Alexander, youngest son of Darius and Mary Fair Masten, was born May 5, 1833, married Susan Stewart, died April 5, 1874. They had four daughters: Letitia, Laura, Louise, and Cornelia. Susan Stewart Masten was born July 23, 1829 and died January 4, 1915. They are buried in Friedland Graveyard. Letitia was born March 10, 1857, married Henry Siddall, died March 18, 1901. Laura, born January 31, 1859, married John F. McCuiston October 25, 1888. They had two sons, Robert Alexander and Edward. Robert Alexander born May 25, 1891, married Margaret Blair April 29, 1923. There are two children: Robert Alexander Jr. born September 29, 1923, and Marion Blair born January 9, 1925. Edward McCuiston was born September 26, 1894, married Ninnie Hermany July 12, 1917. The children were: John William born October 9, 1918; Ellen born February 1, 1921; and Pauline Hermany born August 21, 1924. Laura McCuiston died April 14, 1895. Letitia Siddall, Laura and John F. McCuiston are buried in the Salem Graveyard. John F. McCuiston was pastor of Friedland Moravian Church for more than thirty years.

Louisa, born September 27, 1861, married John J. McCuiston September 17, 1884. Six children were born, Allen, Carl, Walter, Lettie, Claude and John. Allen born June 10, 1887, married Anna Belle Dunlap. Their daughter Mary Louise was born April 23, 1921. He is a physician at Kaswell Training School for Feeble Minded. Carl, born June 27, 1890 married Alma Fore, died April 30, 1925 at Petersburg, Virginia. He is buried in Blanford Cemetery at that place. He was a physician. Walter, born February 15, 1895, married Lessie Motsinger. Their little son, William Humber, was born October 18, 1920 and died November 22, 1924. Lettie, only daughter of Louisa was born May 26, 1898. She is a trained nurse at Winston-Salem. Claude born July 13, 1900, married Viola Harris. Children are Jennie Lou, born May 26, 1922; Catherine Lee, born October 1, 1923, and Julia May, born January 24, 1925. Claude McCuiston lives at Thomasville. John, born October 14, 1904, married Edna Allen. Their daughter, Essie Adalaide was born February 25, 1927. They live at Walburgh.

Cornelia, youngest child of Darius Alexander Masten was born May 4, 1863. She and John Hine were married December 20, 1894. John Hine is one of the progressive farmers of Davies County and has accumulated much of this world's goods.







John, second son of Mathias and Sarah Masten, was born April 2, 1799. In 1819 he and Sarah Cosner, daughter of John and Abigail Cosner, were married. They lived for thirteen years five miles east of Winston-Salem, a short distance north of the Winston-Salem and Kernersville Road. In 1832 he, Anthony Cosner and Frederic Whicker, with their families, left North Carolina and came to Wayne County, Indiana. Nathan Pike, an uncle of Anthony Cosner, and sisters had come from North Carolina to Wayne County a few years before. The Whicker family came on to Hendricks County. The Cosner Family remained in Wayne County three years. John Masten, with his family, remained in Wayne County one year and raised a crop, then came on to Hendricks County. The family then consisted of the father, mother and seven children. They settled in the woods on the Middle Fork of Mill Creek one mile south of where Amo now is, on land he had entered from the Government. He built a log house in which they lived four years. They had to build a fire at night in front of the door to keep the wolves out. John and Abigail Cosner and their other children and their families came from North Carolina to Hendricks County a few years before. In 1837 he built the brick house in which they lived 30 years and reared a family of eleven children, nine boys and two girls, all of whom lived to be men and women. Three children died young. In 1867 he built a house near Amo, on the old Cosner Farm, which he then owned, and moved to it, where he died January 25, 1871 at the age of 71 years, 9 months, and 23 days. He said he was going to move to town and quit hard work, but he could not do it. Neighbors said the fall before he died, he would go down to his lower farm to gather corn and have to wait for it to get light enough to see before he could commence to work. Sarah Masten was born January 21, 1801, and died April 28, 1891 at the age of 90 years, 3 months and 7 days. They are buried in the Masten Cemetery, on the old Cosner Farm, near Amo. When this cemetery was started by John Masten it was intended to be a Family Burial Grounds. The first person buried there was a son, Reuben, aged 21 years and 3 months, a Union Soldier who died in Indianapolis July 23, 1863.

John Masten was a hard working, industrious and successful farmer and a good business man, and succeeded in accumulating considerable property.

His children were of the eighth generation. Emanuel, Mary Frances, David, Hannah, John, Phoebe, William, Mathias, Cyrus, Ely, Corry, Sarah Jane, Reuben, and Nathan. Three of the children died young. Phoebe, born September 23, 1829, died of hemorrhage of the nose, March 27, 1839. Corry, born February 3, 1839, died March 3, 1899. Sarah Jane, born March 12, 1840, died August 9, 1841. Mary Frances was born June 1, 1822, married Edward Jurd, June 15, 1856, went to Missouri soon after and died there in 1857. Reuben, next to the youngest child, was born May 23, 1842. He enlisted in Company B, 117 Regiment Indiana Volunteers in the spring of 1863. While yet in camp at Indianapolis he was drowned trying to save the life of a comrade. He was to have been married in a short time to a neighbor girl, Miss Mary Hine. He was drowned July 23, 1863 at the age of 21 years and 3 months.

Emanuel was born November 5, 1820. He was 12 years old when his family came to Indiana. He said he walked all the way and carried a gun on his shoulder. When He was 21 years old he rode a three year old colt to the place where Kansas City now is, and back home. He taught school some when young. He was interested in fruit







growing and for many years was engaged in the nursery business. June 1, 1852, he was married to Barbara Ann Fitts. They had six children, Phoebe Ellen, Sara Jane, Martha Ann, Oliver Crowell, born March 9, 1857, died July 17, 1863, Laura Alice, born March 13, 1858, died July 7, 1863, and Barbara Elizabeth. The young wife and mother died April 8, 1861 at the age of 29 years, 8 months, and 23 days, leaving the father to care for the little ones. The mother and two little ones are buried in the Cemetery at Stilesville. Emanuel died March 2, 1895. He is buried in the Masten Cemetery near Amo.

Phoebe Ellen Masten was born November 5, 1852, married John Cassady August 14, 1868. She had five children; Luther, Fred, Minnie, Lena Belle, and Emanuel Ethridte. Phoebe Ellen Cassady died December 7, 1920, and is buried in the Cemetery at Coatesville. Luther N. Cassady was born March 30, 1869, married Casander Wheeler December 11, 1890. They had eight children; Wheeler J., Fay, Arthur Morris, Guyneth, Harvey, born October 29, 1903; Walter, born November 2, 1907, died November 11, 1918; Jenette, born October 8, 1910, and Joe Allen, born February 4, 1912. Wheeler J. was born December 2, 1891, married Elizabeth Curtain February 29, 1918. Their children are of the twelfth generation. Kathryne, born October 3, 1918; Regina, born May 3, 1921; Isabelle, born May 6, 1924; and Rose Mary, born May 6, 1926. Wheeler Cassady served overseas in the World War. Fay, born March 28, 1894, married Carry King March 8, 1915. Two children, Marvin born June 2, 1917, and Eugene, born May 2, 1921. Arthur Morris, born May 30, 1895, married Mae Ellen Lapointe August 19, 1916. He served overseas in the World War. After the war he was a Lieutenant of Police in Philadelphia. Fay was a soldier in the World War. Guyneth Cassady, born October 10, 1901, married Cecil Hendricks. Children, Wilmogene, born November 16, 1921; Betty Jane born December 4, 1924, and Fay Donald, born June 25, 1926. Fred Cassady, born February 25, 1871, married Mary Henderson July 30, 1894, died February 7, 1924. One child, Barbara. Minnie Cassady, born November 30, 1872, married William Henderson March 5, 1896, died April 24, 1908. She left one child, Edith, who married Orval Hendrickson December 24, 1920. Her son, William Franklin, was born September 20, 1925. Lena Belle Cassady was born September 8, 1874, married Claude Pruitt December 22, 1895. One son, Basil, born October 4, 1899, married Vesta Mathews. Manuel E. Cassady, born November 12, 1878, married Anna Gambold January 4, 1903. Two sons, Maxwell C. born December 17, 1903 and John Mordith, born August 20, 1907. Maxwell married Louise Masten. Their son, Bernard Allen was born February 29, 1926.

Sarah Jane, second daughter of Emanuel Masten was born February 12, 1854, married Joseph S. Carter January 27, 1873. They had four children: Arthur Lee born November 1, 1873; Charles Burton born September 26, 1875; Ada Ann, born August 16, 1880; and Cyrus Lewis, born September 3, 1878, died, \_\_\_\_\_.

Arthur L. Carter was born November 1, 1873, married Maude Underwood July 6, 1912. Two children are: Joseph O. born May 4, 1917, and Rosemary, born January 19, 1920. Arthur L. Carter died February 13, 1925. Charles Burton Carter was born September 25, 1875, married Grace Skelton. Two daughters: Mildred, born September 26, 1902 and Margaret, born March 12, 1906. Mildred married William Lane December 28, 1928. Their son, Charles Quinton was born October 7, 1927. Ada Ann Carter married Everett Atkins January 16, 1905.







Two children: Estherine, born August 29, 1905, married Lloyd Miles May 29, 1927. Their son, Edward Evert was born January 15, 1928; Howard Atkins, born January 10, 1909, married Mary Blunk

Martha Ann Masten was born September 6, 1855, married Smith Montgomery. She had three children, Elda, Nora, and Ed. Elda, born in 1876, married Chancy Barrow December 4, 1900. Had three children: Lowell, born in 1902, Pharis, born in 1904, and Floyd, born in 1908. Nora Montgomery, born in 1878, married Luthur Smart December 23, 1897. They have two daughters: Sibyl and Nola. Sibyl, born in 1898 married John W. Kennyday. Their son Morris was born in 1925. Nola Smart, born in 1901 married Rollie Neier. Their son is Morris Neier. Ed, only son of Martha, was born in 1870, married Bertha Blunk. A son Glen was born in 1913.

Barbara E., youngest child of Emanuel Masten was born March 29, 1861, married Smith Harlan February 28, 1883. She had four children: Harry I., George Guy, Londa and Carry. Harry, born December 4, 1883 married Daisy Quick March 6, 1903. They had one son, George Earl. He married Lillian E. Spitznagle February 16, 1924. Their daughter Marilyn Elaine was born February 25, 1925. Daisy Quick Harlan died November 14, 1913. Harry Harlan and Kate Webb were married May 5, 1916. Guy Harlan was born June 4, 1885, married Ella Underwood October 3, 1908. Londa Harlan was born November 23, 1888, married Silva Hurst November 27, 1907. Her son, Harlan was born November 12, 1908. Barbara Harlan died April 9, 1910. She and her husband are buried in the cemetery at Stilesville.

Sarah Jane Carter died October 7, 1925. Joseph S. Carter was born \_\_\_\_\_. They and their two sons are buried in the cemetery at Amo,

David, second son of John Masten was born January 2, 1824, married Mary Ann Harvey, daughter of Nathan and Ruth Jones Harvey, December 5, 1848. To them were born two sons and three daughters. Their names were: Albert, Minerva Ellen, John, Ruth Ann and Sarah Jane. David died February 22, 1905, aged 81 years, 1 month and 21 days. Mary died November 5, 1911, aged 83 years, 10 months and 3 days. They are buried in the cemetery at Mooresville, Indiana.

Albert, born September 24, 1849, married Emma Hine on October 18, 1874. They had ten children. Pena, born October 9, 1875; Mathias Albert, Luke and Mark, born January 10, 1877. Mark died January 15, 1877, and Luke died August 13, 1877; Lew E., born July 24, 1878, died August 2, 1879; Bessie, born September 11, 1880; Roxy, born November 22, 1882; infant son born November 23, 1882, died in infancy; Mamie, born September 8, 1884, died September 24, 1900; and Ethel, born April 26, 1886, married Charles F. Hartman. Albert died January 19, 1909. His wife died April 30, 1924. They are buried in the cemetery at Mooresville, Indiana. Pena Masten and Harry Sanders were married February 24, 1895. They had four children. Bessie L., born July 12, 1900; Russel H. born January 11, 1902, died November 24, 1927; Blanch C. born March 8, 1904 and Mamie Ruth, born November 12, 1907. They live in Seattle, Washington. Harry Sanders died November 23, 1927. Bessie L. Sanders and Albert Fry were married February 11, 1918. Two daughters: Catherine Elizabeth, born March 28, 1919 and Florence Merelyn, born June 7, 1923. Blanch C. married John C. Engle April 16, 1925. Children are: John C. Jr., born March 31, 1926; Russel H. S., born June 17, 1928,







and Beverly Lorain born April 26, 1930. Mamie Ruth married Howard E. Paris August 26, 1925. Gloria Jane, born August 7, 1936. Mathew Albert Masten and Rebecca Floe Elliot were married December 22, 1907. They have one son, Albert Lawrence, born October 4, 1908, married Berniti Monday May 30, 1929. Daughter, Debora Lee, born October 9, 1931. Bessie Masten and Robert Scott married January 8, 1900. Children are; Robert M., born August 27, 1905 and Martha J. born January 12, 1912.

Minerva Ellen Masten was born May 3, 1851, married John Hodson March 5, 1873, died September 1, 1874. She left one child, Mary Jane, born December 16, 1873. She married Lee Plummer November 3, 1897. They have one son, Cleo H., born February 28, 1901, married Edith Shepard March 8, 1922. Their daughter, Esterine Luceal was born December 31, 1923.

John Masten was born January 2, 1853, married Mary Etta McClain December 7, 1879. They had five children. Charlotte Ann, born August 10, 1881; Carlisle Austin, born July 27, 1883; Lola McMurtra, born June 30, 1885, died January 22, 1889 in Kansas; Mary Ellen, born August 29, 1892, died September 10, 1898; Loren Edwin, born April 10, 1901. John Masten died February 8, 1907. He and his two little girls are buried in the Maple Shade Cemetery at Plainfield, Indiana. Charlotte Ann married Oliver Merritt August 27, 1904. Children are: Cecil, born June 11, 1905; Marion Meril and Mildred Marie, born February 25, 1908. Carlisle A. married Carrie Duncan September 24, 1908. Children are: Lucile, born October 15, 1909; John, born September 11, 1912; and Carl, born July 30, 1913. Loren Edwin married Ethel Mitchel January 9, 1923. Children are: Doris Louise, born September 4, 1925; John E. Thomas, born February 27, 1927; Lydia Ann, born November 2, 1929.

Ruth Ann Masten was born January 24, 1861, married John B. Hasenohr August 11, 1884. They had two sons; Morris D. born August 28, 1885, drowned in the Wabash River when hunting, March 25, 1906 and Otto Roy, born January 10, 1888, married Mabel Gilmore September 4, 1920.

Sarah Jane, youngest child of David and Mary Masten, was born December 1871. She and Mitchel Plummer were married November 13, 1894. They lived in Colorado where she died November 30, 1915. She left three sons: Aral E., Archie and Austin. Aral E., born July 31, 1897, married Irene C. Nile February 25, 1923. Child, Beverly Ann, born March 7, 1927. Archie C., born March 10, 1901, married Winona Anita Rogers July 23, 1923. Child Roger Brooks, born July 27, 1930. Austin M., born 1903, married Edna Carter April 24, 1927. Children: Gladys Marie, born March 8, 1928 and Nadine Mae, born May 12, 1930.

Aral E. Plummer, 4440 Town Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Archie O. Plummer, 2516 Belleveil Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.

Austin M. Plummer, 3227 Arapahoe Street, Denver, Colorado.

Hannah, second daughter of John and Sarah Masten, was born in North Carolina October 31, 1825. On July 7, 1846 she was united in marriage with Able Benbow. To this union were born four sons and three daughters.: Alfred Hunt, William Allen, John H., Eli Masten, Mary Frances, Sarah Ellen and Martha Elma. Hannah Benbow died October 3, 1908 at the age of 82 years, 10 months and 2 days. Able Benbow was born \_\_\_\_\_, died \_\_\_\_\_. They are buried in the cemetery at Stilesville, Indiana.







Alfred H. was born March 27, 1848. When a mere youth he enlisted in Company H. 143 Regiment Indiana Volunteers and served in the Union Army. January 5, 1870 he and Mary J. Foster were married. They had three children; Clara, Lee and Edith. Clara, born November 13, 1877, married Clarence Shortridge November 15, 1904. Their daughter Blanch was born April 6, 1909. Lee was born September 14, 1883. Edith, born August 31, 1887, married Oscar Rogers February 22, 1907. Children: Marion E. born July 14, 1908; Alfred H. born September 5, 1911; Mary J. born October 7, 1913; William C. born January 9, 1915; Martha E. born January 8, 1916; and Charles J. born March 6, 1920. Alfred Banbow died January 15, 1907. He is buried in the cemetery at Stilesville.

William Allen Benbow was born on the farm near Stilesville August 30, 1849. When quite young he left home to seek adventure in the far west. He served for a time in Mexico against Maximilian and believed himself to be the only American to witness the execution of Maximilian and his two aides. He was with Custer's Army as a Government teamster for a time and led an adventurous life. Later he returned home and entered school. First he attended school at Stilesville and in the country, then entered DePauw University where he finished his education. He taught school and studied law in his native state. In 1879 he went to Missouri and settled in Saline County. Here he studied medicine under the direction of his brother, Dr. John H. Benbow. He then attended lectures at the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati, Ohio. Following this he returned to Saline County, Missouri and commenced active practice of medicine at Gillean, which he continued until about ten years before his death, when he retired to give entire time to the management of his farms. He and Mrs. Lucinda Davis were married September 9, 1892. October 9, 1923 he was killed in an accident with his team on his farm near Gillean. He is buried in the cemetery there.

John H. Benbow was born March 20, 1851. He attended DePauw University, taught school a few years, studied medicine, attended lectures at Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati. After completing the course he went to Missouri and located at Gillean, Saline County, and practiced his profession there until his death October 15, 1899. He and Laura Alexander were married in 1882.

Eli Benbow was born September 3, 1853. He went to Missouri with his brother John. He and Hattie Frances Hays were married April 19, 1899. His two children, Admiral John, born May 28, 1900, and Georgia Masten, born April 2, 1902. He lives at Eldorado Springs, Missouri.

Mary Frances Benbow was born December 7, 1856. She attended school at State Normal, Terre Haute. She taught school in Indiana for a few years then went west and taught in some of the states there. She was married there to John Rhodes August 4, 1904. Mr. Rhodes was one of Roosevelt's Rough Riders. He served in three wars, and was a captain in the World War.

Sarah Ellen Benbow was born February 2, 1859 and died December 30, 1865.

Martha Elma, youngest child of Hannah and Able Benbow, was born December 28, 1861. She was educated at the State Normal, taught some years in Indiana and in the West. She married Jewell







Vaught January 4, 1899. Her son, Morris Benbow Vaught was born December 31, 1899, married Aletha Chambers in 1934. He lives in California.

John Jr., third son of John Masten Sr., was born in North Carolina August 17, 1827. December 20, 1849 he and Sarah Harvey were married. To them were born eight children. The oldest died in infancy. Ruth, born January 30, 1852; Cyrus \* born July 2, 1854; Emory, born November 7, 1859; Sarah Ellen, born October 4, 1864, died January 22, 1866; Elmer, born April 27, 1867, married Maude Angel. She died \_\_\_\_\_; Anna, born September 23, 1869; Milo, born January 14, 1873, died April 16, 1873. John Masten died August 22, 1908 at the age of 81 years and 5 days. Sarah Masten, daughter of Nathan and Ruth Jones Harvey, was born May 4, 1830, died February 5, 1894 at the age of 63 years, 9 months and 1 day. They are buried in the Masten Cemetery at Amo.

Ruth Masten and J. Clark Hodson were married March 6, 1873. Their only child, Walter was born February 18, 1874. He and Myrtle Edwards were married October 4, 1899. They have three children. Blair, born November 13, 1904, Delta, born August 2, 1909, and Hollis Clark, born September 14, 1914. Blair and Paul Stayton were married July 5, 1929. Their son, John Paul was born August 21, 1931. Delta and Worth Hodson married December 27, 1931. Their son, Donald Eugene was born August 21, 1932. Ruth died October 26, 1924. Clark Hodson died August 6, 1888. They are buried in the Masten Cemetery.

Cyrus Masten and Laura Hadley were married March 31, 1881. Five children: Vern born April 6, 1882; Ray, born April 25, 1884; Floy Marie, born September 28, 1891; Earl, born October 10, 1892 and Ena Pearl, born March 19, 1894. Ray married Bessie Sherer September 1, 1923. Floy married Ralph Shields June 6, 1911. Their daughter, Donnie Lucile was born April 19, 1912. Earl married Etta Rushton August 19, 1914. Their son Lowell R. was born August 14, 1916. Ena Pearl married Harley McIntyre September 7, 1915. Two daughters, Alleen Frances, born September 5, 1916 and Floy Virginia, born January 2, 1919. Ena McIntyre died February 7, 1932.

Emory Masten and Emma Mandenhall were married October 18, 1883. Their children: Merl, born August 31, 1884; Orpha, born July 24, 1886; Onna, born February 17, 1890; Bertie, born November 21, 1888, died November 26, 1888. Onna died June 8, 1890. Merl and Edith Higgins were married October 20, 1907. Their daughter Ruth, was born August 25, 1908, married to Harold E. Jackson February 11, 1933. Orpha and Carl Kendall married August 8, 1918. He died \_\_\_\_\_. She is a trained nurse in Indianapolis. Nallie married Roy West August 14, 1915. Children are: Dorothy, born November 11, 1916, died January 21, 1918; Howard, born December 20, 1921; Ardith, born January 8, 1924.

Elmer Masten married Maude Angel. She died \_\_\_\_\_.

William, youngest child of John and Sarah Masten born in North Carolina, was born October 1831. He was married to Martha Jane Jackson December 10, 1851. They had three children, Ursula Ann, Thomas Elwood, and Nathan Jackson. The mother died November 26, 1856. She is buried in the Old Spring Meeting Graveyard north of Amo. She was born August 19, 1831.

\* Author of this history







Ursula Ann was born November 11, 1852. She was four years old when her mother died. Her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Iredell Jackson, took her to live with them. She was married November 26, 1867 to Simon Allen. They had three sons, William H., Eddie M., and Charles E. Ursula Ann died March 12, 1925. Her husband died March 11, 1924, aged 79 years, 11 months and 13 days. They were living in Ramseur, Randolph County, North Carolina. They are buried in Pleasant Ridge Cemetery near Ramseur. Simon Allen, when young, lived in North Carolina. He was conscripted into the Confederate Army. He escaped and joined the Union Army and was transferred to the U.S.A. in the northwest for safety. When his time expired he came to Indiana where he had relatives living at Monrovia.

William H., oldest son of Ursula Allen, was born in Hendricks County, Indiana, September 7, 1868. He and Rosetta Brown were married in North Carolina October \_\_\_\_, 1889. They live at Stays Mills, North Carolina. Eddie M. Allen was born December 5, 1870 in North Carolina, married Eliza Cox March 21, 1895. They have three daughters; Pearl, born January 13, 1896; Minnie, born September 10, 1902, and Chloe, born July 3, 1913. Pearl married Kirby Cox. They had two sons, Eldon Edward, born July 27, 1914 and Roy Alton, born January 3, 1917. Minnie married Raymond Allred. Their daughter, Virginia Lee was born October 17, 1924. Charles E. Allen August 26, 1873 in Indiana. He and Ida Blair were married September 26, 1894 in North Carolina. They have one son, Clarence, born January 13, 1896, married Estella Holland May 17, 1925, and one daughter, Essie, born December 3, 1898, married Birch L. Tyson April 17, 1928. Clarence Allen served in the Navy during the World War. Eddie and Charley Allen and families live in Ashbore, North Carolina. They are engaged in the real estate and lumber business.

Thomas Elwood (Moody) Masten, oldest son of William Masten was born February 1, 1854. He married Mary Ann Adams in Kansas. They had one son, William H., born January 2, 1874, married Flora Jones. They have a daughter, Vera, born April \_\_\_\_, 1898. William H. lives in Kansas City. Mary A. Masten died. Elwood married Vena Slimp May 10, 1894. Their daughter, Anna Mae was born December 4, 1900, married Carl Puffingberger. Woody lives in Oswego, Kansas.

Nathan J. was born July 14, 1855. He was one year and 4 months old when his mother died. His grandparents, John and Sarah Masten cared for him. He and Dora Cook were married April 28, 1879. They had one son, Otis Isaac, born September 23, 1880. Otis married Jessie L. Price. Two children. Otis I. Jr., born July 23, 1906 and Aletha, born May 31, 1911. Jessie L. Masten died November 1, 1919. Otis married Hazel Thompson. Nathan Masten died in Indianapolis April 11, 1912. He is buried in Crown Hill. Thomas Elwood died March 13, 1921.

William Masten and Delfina Johnson were married December 5, 1857. They had four children: Rosalie; A. Lincoln, Charles, and Fred. Fred was born September 20, 1874, died January 2, 1907. Delfina Masten died January 29, 1887. She and Fred are buried in the Masten Cemetery at Amo. William Masten died in Greencastle, Indiana March 3, 1910. He is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery.

Rosalie, born December 20, 1859, married Lewis A. Phillips November 10, 1881. They had four children: Elva, born September 10, 1883, died August 23, 1884. Ora Alda, born November 23, 1885; Lena D.







born May 21, 1888, and Glen, born October 20, 1893, died December 14, 1918. Ora married Otha Hurst February 2, 1900. Their son, Wendell was born February 3, 1920. Lena and Roy Leak were married April 7, 1919. Roy Leak died February 10, 1920. Lena married Everet McCullum May 4, 1926. Their daughter, Margery Lee, was born September 3, 1927. Lewis Phillips died March 28, 1919. He and Glen are buried in the cemetery at Stilesville.

Lincoln Masten, born September 21, 1860, married Rosa Sanders. They have Clarence H., born October 28, 1884; Blanch, born March 22, 1888, and Sanders, born June 29, 1911. Clarence married Mary Derr, August 28, 1912. Children: Marion D., born April 11, 1916; Helen Frances, born March 13, 1924, and Maurice Allen, born August 31, 1925. Blanch married Tom Wolf from August 4, 1910. Son, Maynard M. born September 29, 1912, died October 23, 1930.

Charles Masten, born September 11, 1871, in Kansas, married Ida Ingold in North Carolina June 24, 1895. They have one son, Elbert, born August 3, 1910. They live in Bloomington, Indiana.

Mathias, first child of John Masten born in Indiana, was born May 2, 1834, married Eliza Jane Fitts August 22, 1853. They had five children: Melvin C., Oliver Perry, Mary Ellen, Otto and Oscar. Mathias died in Greencastle March 5, 1894. His wife died December 6, 1890. They are buried in the Masten Cemetery at Amo.

Mell C., born May 24, 1854, married Rebecca Ellen Smith April 3, 1872, died November 3, 1923. His son Wilbur was born April 13, 1875, married Maggie Bourne May 21, 1894, died November 8, 1910. They are buried in the South Cemetery at Danville

Oliver Perry Masten was born April 13, 1857, married Electa Ethaline Phillips, daughter of Joel Phillips, October 24, 1875. A few years after they were married they left Coatesville and went, first to Iowa, then to Washington and Oregon. They had three children, Pearl, Berl, and Bertha. Pearl, born March 23, 1877 died September 11, 1878. Berl was born in Iowa March 7, 1879. He was a soldier in the Spanish American and Phillipine Wars. He enlisted in Company E Second Regiment Oregon Volunteer Infantry as a private and came out a Corporal. He was in the Phillipines 15 months. He and Mabel Foster were married in Vancouver, Washington January 2, 1903. She died May 18, 1920. Later he married Stella Spillbrink. He lives in Portland, Oregon. Bertha was born in Kellogg, Iowa, February 11, 1882. She was married to James Mead June 15, 1904 in Portland. They had one child, James Verl, born October 7, 1905, died March 8, 1918. James Mead was born in High Wycombe, Bucks, England July 18, 1867. He enlisted in Company E, Second Regiment Oregon Volunteer Infantry in the Spanish American War as a private and came out a Corporal. He was in the Phillipine Islands 15 months. He died March 15, 1924. Bertha lives in Portland, Oregon. Oliver Masten died in Portland July 18, 1916. His wife died September 20, 1925.

Mary Ellen Masten was born March 1, 1863, married Samuel H. Elrod November 11, 1884. They have two children: Barbara and Arthur M. They live in Clark, South Dakota. Mr. Elrod was Governor of South Dakota one term.

Otto Masten, born October 14, 1865, married Mary Agnes Elrod. He has one child, Hertha, born October 10, 1895, married Hilden Harris.

Oscar Masten, born October 23, 1868, married Mary Ellen Johnson December 22, 1886. They have one daughter, Louise, born April 29, 1901

Cyrus Masten, born December 2, 1835, married Sylvia







Snoddy May 27, 1858. They had three children; Roxy, born May 28, 1863; Carrie, born July 4, 1868, died October 7, 1868; Fay, born March 27, 1870. Roxy married Wallace Ralston May 11, 1887. One child, Ray, born April 6, 1889, died January 4, 1890. Roxy died December 25, 1889. Fay married Ella George September 1, 1891. One child, May was born October 9, 1894. Fay Masten and Susie Harper were married August 12, 1912. Fay died March 30, 1925 at Dayton, Ohio. He is buried in Green Lawn Cemetery, Columbus, Ohio. Cyrus Masten died January 16, 1904. Sylvia Masten died \_\_\_\_\_. They and Roxy and her baby are buried in the Masten Cemetery.

Eli, last of John and Sarah Masten's children to pass away, and lived to be the oldest, was born September 13, 1837, married Matilda Reitzel October 13, 1858. To them were born three sons. Horace Greeley, born January 19, 1860, married Mary Dee Mohler September 9, 1893. George E., born July 13, 1866, married Luna Long December 19, 1893. Their son, Howard E., born January 16, 1895, died November 12, 1895. Victor C., youngest child of Eli, was born June 17, 1877, died July 17, 1879. George died November 12, 1895. Eli died October 9, 1926 at the age of 89 years and 27 days. Matilda was born August 12, 1839, died \_\_\_\_\_. They are all buried in the Masten Cemetery.

Nathan, youngest of a family of fourteen children, born to John and Sarah Cosner Masten, was born May 24, 1845. In the spring of 1863, when he was 18 years old, he enlisted in Company B, 117 Regiment Indiana Volunteers and served the full time of that regiment in defense of the Union. He and Piery Bryant were married April 14, 1893. He and two daughters; Edith, born February 7, 1865 and Nelly, born April 30, 1867, died March 19, 1890. Edith and Milton West were married February 12, 1890. They had two sons: Chester, born September 15, 1892, died March 22, 1912; Homer born July 27, 1894. Homer enlisted in the World War April 23, 1918 at Danville, Indiana. He left the United States August 4, 1918, assigned to Ambulance Company 22-7 Sanitary Train. He was in Argonne-Meuse Offensive in the Penville Sector 33 days. He returned to the United States June 30, 1919 and was honorably discharged July 19, 1919 at Camp Taylor. He and Grace Clair Kirk were married April 20, 1920. She died November 8, 1920. Homer and Julia Asseline were married November 3, 1923. Their children: Quenton L., born December 28, 1924; Douglas, born April 30, 1927 and John Rogers, born December 14, 1928. Edith West died July 18, 1898. She and Chester are buried in the Masten Cemetery.

Nathan Masten and Octavia Williams were married October 26, 1872. They had five children: William Nathan, born January 24, 1874; Hattie May, born April 4, 1877; Carl Spencer, born September 27, 1878; Lillian Ethel, born August 4, 1889, died September 12, 1890; Elsie Mabel, born December 4, 1891. William married Thursa Edwards August 6, 1892. Their son, Clifford was born June 14, 1898. He married Edith Oakley November 2, 1916. Their daughter, Marvaline, was born June 30, 1919. Willie Masten died in Indianapolis September 16, 1931. Hattie married Charles Moracle. They have three children: Otto, born June 20, 1892; Ethel, born November 24, 1894, and LeRoy born November 1, 1919. Otto married Doris Simms. Their daughter, Marguerite, was born January 19, 1919. LeRoy married Bertha Braum. Children: Laverne, born May 30, 1923; Charles, born January 19, 1925 and Wayne, born May \_\_\_, 1928. Carl married Bessie Wilson August 28, 1898. Daughter Mabel, born June 8, 1899. She married Fred Jacobs,







May 15, 1916. Daughter Lorence was born August 8, 1917. Elsie married Thomas Masters October 15, 1911. Three sons: Wayne born May 25, 1914; Paul, born December 2, 1915, and Russell, born February 15, 1921. Nathan Masten died June 15, 1918. He and his four children are buried in the Masten Cemetery.

Reuben S., son of Mathias and Sarah Stanley Masten, was born in Forsythe County, North Carolina October 14, 1806. December 32, 1831 he and Margaret Garrison were married. They lived three miles east of Old Salem until the spring of 1833 when they left North Carolina and came to Indiana. First they came to Daviess County where they remained through the summer, then came to Hendricks County and settled on land he had entered from the Government, one mile south of Coatesville. Here they lived the remainder of their lives. He died October 10, 1892 at the age of 85 years, 7 months and 26 days. He lived to be the oldest of any of Mathias' children and was the last to go. Margaret Garrison Masten died May 2, 1894 at the age of 84 years, 4 months and 4 days. Their children are of the eighth generation of the Masten Family in America. They had eleven children: Hezekiah, Darius, John, Mahala, Mary, Harvey, Mathias, Jesse, Sarah, Margaret Ann, and Emma Zetta. Uncle Reuben and Aunt Peggy are buried in the Stilesville Cemetery.

Hezekiah was born in North Carolina November 10, 1832. He was brought by his parents to Indiana when he was six months old. He and Elizabeth Ann Jackson were married November 1854. They had seven children: Laura J., John W., Frank, Madison E., Elmer E., Gilbert and Wilbert H. Hezekiah died October 10, 1878. His wife was born July 10, 1835, died September 26, 1918. They are buried in the Stilesville Cemetery. W

Laura, only daughter of Hezekiah, was born May 12, 1856, married William H. Elrod August 15, 1880. They had two children: Claude H. and Vern H. Claude, born January 18, 1881, married Clovia Hurst February 26, 1902. There two children are Frank H. and Lucille. Frank, born September 4, 1904, married Helen Hurst. A daughter, Mary Jane, born May 3, 1930 and a daughter Sally Jean, born December 31, 1934. Lucille born August 28, 1909, married Walter Buis. Vern, born November 12, 1883, married Jesse Miller February 6, 1907. William H. Elrod died April 28, 1916.

John W. Masten, born May 15, 1857, married Mary E. Buis December 8, 1878. They had seven children: Chanoy, Clara, William Lee, Laura Ethel, George Irvin, Ann, and Ruth. Chanoy, born January 6, 1880, married Anna Collins September 29, 1910. They had one daughter, Madonna, born August 24, 1911, died January 11, 1929. Clara, born March 27, 1883, married Fred Todd January 11, 1903. They have three sons: Kenneth, born May 15, 1904, Kermit, born January 14, 1906, Merl, born March 9, 1911. William Lee, born February 2, 1884, was accidentally shot and died December 17, 1909. Laura Ethel, born February 7, 1887, died February 11, 1889. George Irvin, born July 27, 1888, died June 21, 1889. Anna, born November 12, 1891, married Raymond Fisher November 24, 1909. They have one son, Robert, born September 25, 1910. Ruth, born December 12, 1893, married Albert Heavin June 9, 1923. A son Edward was born May 12, 1924. Ruth Heavin died December 2, 1925. EDWIN







Frank Masten was born February 26, 1860, married Martha Newman April 11, 1885. She was born December 23, 1861. There were three children. The first, a daughter, died at birth. Hezzie, born November 6, 1893, married Roxie Lewis November 26, 1919. Alda, born October 16, 1895, married Leonard A. Fleenor August 21, 1917. They have two children: Charles Masten, born February 23, 1923, and Martha Jean, born October 4, 1923. Beginning in 1915, Leonard A. Fleenor was engaged in school work in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Frank Masten died August 30, 1912 from the effects of a fall in his barn while unloading hay. Martha Masten died July 1, 1932. They are buried in the cemetery at Stilesville.

Madison E. Masten, born August 19, 1861, married Mary Kelso October 10, 1886. There were two children: Guy, born August 8, 1890 and Fred born June 26, 1895, died August 24, 1903. Guy married Edith Hershey June 4, 1915. Two daughters were Elizabeth, born March 3, 1919 and Evalyn, born October 11, 1922.

Elmer Masten, born May 8, 1866, married Minnie Wise September 7, 1890. The children are Earl and Ocie. Earl, born June 28, 1891, married Ocie Kurtz. They have two children, Roy, born July 16, 1911 and Jannett, born October 19, 1913. Ocie Masten, born November 4, 1894, married Earl Wallace February 4, 1915. They have one son Alberta ( Bert ).

Gilbert Masten, born March 31, 1877, married Jennie Gorham September 5, 1897. There were two sons: Walter E., born May 23, 1898 and Cyril, born July 11, 1906. Walter and Mary Milner were married March 3, 1931. They have one daughter, Emma Jean born July 10, 1922.

Wilbert H. Masten, born February 24, 1879, married Eva Buis October 23, 1898. They had two children: Vergie Meral, born July 16, 1899 died August 20, 1899, Maynard Quinton, born August 29, 1900, married Reba Jones October 18, 1923.







Darius, second son of Reuben S. Masten, was born February 12, 1835. He and Margaret Demott were united in marriage in 1858. To this union were born three sons and one daughter, Phillip, James, Reuben, and Mary. Darius died April 19, 1908; his wife died September 14, 1931, aged 83 years, 2 months and 24 days. They are buried in the cemetery at Stilesville, Indiana. Phillip, born February 25, 1859, married Mary O'Neal December 14, 1879. They had four daughters: Amie, born December 14, 1881, died July 13, 1883; Ada, born June 24, 1884; Florence, born August 16, 1886; Myrtle, born June 13, 1891. Ada married Lee Robinson October 15, 1902. They have four sons and one daughter: Clifford, born August 6, 1903; Paul, born June 5, 1910; Maynard, born April 6, 1913; Kenneth, born October 27, 1915; Madonna, born November 13, 1921. Clifford married Myrtle Beaman June 6, 1935. Their son, Harold Wayne, born August 9, 1936 is of the twelfth generation. Florence married Roy Frand November 10, 1909. Their children are: Marion, born December 8, 1910; Margery, born February 20, 1913; Lora May, born June 21, 1915; John Russell, born October 4, 1926, died January 18, 1927. Myrtle, youngest daughter of Phillip, married Clay O'Hair February 6, 1910. Their children are: Thelma, born May 30, 1911; Jean, born October 15, 1912; Orman, born January 1, 1915; Gail, born April 2, 1917. Clay O'Hair was killed in his field by an accident with his tractor April 30, 1925. Myrtle married Frank McBride August 19, 1925. Their son Memfort Rupert was born May 18, 1927. Phillip Masten's wife died March 14, 1939 from an automobile accident. 1908039

James, second son of Darius, was born July 22, 1861, married Laura Buis January 28, 1885. Their children were Cordia, Bradie, and Noble. Cordia, born August 31, 1887, married William Campbell January 19, 1904. Their children were: Helen, born September 23, 1905; Lois, born November 16, 1909; William, born October 23, 1907; Fay, born October 6, 1911. Helen married George Hart and have one child, Bettie Marie. Lois married Kenneth Alexander. Their children are William Russell who died in infancy and Donna Fay. Bradie, daughter of James was born April 3, 1889. She married Henry Bowen April 31, 1904. The children are: Dennis, born February 19, 1905; Opal, born April 5, 1911; Retha, born August 10, 1915; and Orthalla, born May 10, 1917. Dennis married Leota Zeiner. Their children are: Robert Allen, born May 12, 1927, and Noble Lee, born June 5, 1930. Noble Masten, youngest child of James, was born January 14, 1895 and married Josephine Quick November, \_\_, 1932. They live in Terre Haute. James Masten died September 26, 1928 and is buried in the cemetery at Coatesville.

Reuben, youngest son of Darius, was born February 7, 1864. He was married January 12, 1888 to Nevada Hill. Reuben is a prominent minister in the Missionary Baptist Church. They reside at Belle Union, Indiana.

Mary, only daughter of Darius, was born December 30, 1871. She married Everett Buis October 12, 1890. Children are: Worth, born December 7, 1891; Ralph, born August 6, 1894; Nellie, born September 6, 1903; and Donovan, born July 5, 1905. Worth and Veronica Trapp were married June 30, 1925. A son Thomas was born April 11, 1926. Ralph married Gladys Nevans October 19, 1920. Children: Virginia, born July 14, 1922 and Vearl Lee, born March 8, 1925. Nellie married Ira Ogles June 22, 1921. A son Robert was born May 29, 1924.







Mahala, daughter of Reuben S. Masten was born June 22, 1838. and married David Pike April 30, 1859. Children were: Flora, born November 18, 1860; Ella, born June 17, 1864; Maggie, Ora, born November 24, 1872, died December 12, 1876; Clara Pearl, born February 3, 1876, died February 6, 1885. Mahala Pike died January 31, 1904.

Flora married Levi Harlan November 22, 1877. Children were: Roxie, Harvey, \*William, Herdis, Everett. Flora died March 19, 1936. She and her husband are buried at Coatesville. Roxie, born January 16, 1879, married Archie Monnet October 21, 1905. Harvey, born March 3, 1881, married Effie Cranford February 7, 1905, and died August 31, 1907. He left one child, Pauline, born February 8, 1906. She married Buford May, May 2, 1936. Frances, (name omitted above) born June 25, 1883, married S. E. Marks March 3, 1901. One daughter, Geraldine, born September 25, 1908 married Kenneth Edwards 1927. Their daughter, Irma Lee was born January 25, 1930, and is of the twelfth generation. William, born July 15, 1886, married Lilly Vice July \_\_, 1908. One daughter, Kathaline was born May 13, 1908. Herdis, born December 20, 1889, married Grace Gambold June 3, 1910. A son Allen was born September 25, 1913. Everett, born March 15, 1892, married Frances Melvane. They live in Chicago.

Ella, second daughter of David and Mahala Pike, was born June 17, 1864. She married Mose Burgess June 3, 1884, and died March 3, 1903. Children were: Rollie, born March 19, 1885; Mamie, born October 15, 1886; Geneva, born February 5, 1903. Rollie married Stella King September 29, 1907. Children were: Miriam Joyce, born August 26, 1911; Helen Enola, born July 17, 1912; Lois Ella, born March 17, 1914; Morris Marguerite, born August 6, 1921. Geneva married Geneva married Esmond Elliot July 10, 1927.

Maggie Pike, born March 20, 1867, married Wallace Lisby January 5, 1887. They have four children: Grace, born March 20, 1888; Horace, born April 27, 1891; Paul, born November 19, 1892; Chester, born April 17, 1895. They live in Clark, South Dakota. Grace married Robert Flickinger June 30, 1912. Her children are: Margaret May, born July 23, 1913; Glen Wallace, born October 2, 1914; Alice Lorane, born October 27, 1919; Mary Jane, born August 28, 1925. Horace Lisby married Annabelle Showers February 23, 1922. Paul Lisby married Gertrude Caroline Mikkelsen November 30, 1917. Their three children are: Herdis Paul, born December 8, 1918; Mary Marcelle, born April 28, 1921; Betty Elaine, born October 8, 1924. Chester Lisby married Gladys Bonifoy November 30, 1913. Children are: Geneva Kathrene, born May 24, 1914; Clarence Laveem, born June 12, 1918; Floyd Walber, born September 15, 1919; Fern Viola, born September 24, 1924.

Mary, second daughter of Reuben Masten was born July 20, 1840, and married Marshall Robards July 31, 1860. They had three daughters and one son. Laura Alice, Georgia Etta, Rosa May, and Wilber Earl. Laura Alice was born March 10, 1861, married Thomas McAninch January 1878. One child, Winona was born September 26, 1879, and married Virgil Davis March 20, 1898. A son Donovan was born February 20, 1904, married Margaret Bennett July 9, 1927, and a daughter, Donna Margaret was born May 13, 1912. Georgia Etta Robards,







born March 29, 1863, married Sherman Tackett December 22, 1887, died February 2, 1889. She left a daughter, Letta Sherman Tackett, born December 16, 1887 who died February 2, 1891. Rosa May Robards, born September 7, 1867, died September 27, 1889. Wilber Earl Robards, born September 16, 1873, married Sylvia Hurst December 4, 1904, died September 6, 1907. He left one daughter, Zelma, born November 19, 1905. Mary Robards died April 13, 1916. Marshall Robards died November 16, 1888. They and their children are buried in the Stilesville Cemetery.

Mathias, son of Reuben Masten, was born August 30, 1843. In the spring of 1863 he enlisted in Company B, 117th Regiment of Indiana Volunteers. After returning home he was united in marriage to Nancy Elmore, February 13, 1864. They had eight children: Ida, Fred, Alford, Oscar, Reuben, Emma Zetta, Everett, and Ella. For several years Mathias was an active minister in the Primitive Baptist Church. He died October 16, 1926 at the age of 84 years, 2 months and 16 days. His wife died May 18, 1923. They are buried in the Stilesville Cemetery.

Ida, oldest child of Mathias, was born March 20, 1866, and married Scott Allee December 25, 1889. One daughter, Laura, born October 13, 1894 and one son, Raymond, born December 3, 1901. Laura married Roy Tharp June 19, 1913. Children are: Effie, born June 24, 1914; Woodrow, born June 4, 1916, Castle and Royal, born August 30, 1923.

Fred, oldest son of Mathias, was born July 17, 1868, married Mary E. Mathews October 12, 1890. Children were: Jewell, born October 18, 1891, died July 17, 1913; Mamie E., born January 6, 1895; Hallie Alma, born July 16, 1899; Franklin Mathias, born December 19, 1900; Kenneth Glee, born July 30, 1902, died September 6, 1923; Percy Ceral, born April 2, 1904; Willis Robert, born April 2, 1908; Gaylord Glenn, born February 19, 1915. Mamie married Charles Keller December 21, 1913. Children were: Gladys, born October 5, 1914; Laverne, born June 26, 1916; and Eugene, born August 6, 1919. Charles Keller died November 8, 1922. Mamie married Russell Leslie October 13, 1923. Their daughter, Madonna was born July 21, 1924. Hallie Alma and Joseph Ellis were married September 4, 1918. Their son, Joseph Jr. was born January 5, 1920. Fred's family live in Greencastle. He was the first Republican elected Treasurer of Putnam County. Willis Robert married Helen Zook in 1929.

Alford Masten, second son of Mathias, born August 15, 1871, died August 21, 1872.

Oscar, third son of Mathias Masten, born October 6, 1873, married Cora Sears February 24, 1897. Their daughter, Louise, was born May 23, 1905 and married Maxwell Cassady, 1925. Their son, Bernard Allen, was born February 27, 1926.

Fred Estel, son of Fred Masten, born November 11, 1910, married Margaret Crawley February 18, 1933.

Mamie and Russell Leslie's daughter, Lola Moline Leslie was born October 10, 1927.

Reuben W. Masten, born March 26, 1880, married Mamie Butler April 7, 1901. Children were: Zella, born August 30, 1902; Ruth, born August 13, 1904; Reba, born November 24, 1906; Walter, born December 23, 1908; Margaret, born February 16, 1916; Elizabeth,







born April 23, 1919; Gene, born February 11, 1921; Virginia, born May 1, 1923. Zella married Fred Hanks April \_\_, 1924. Children were; Eloise, born December 26, 1926; Martha L., born September 11, 1928. Ruth married Harold Gorham November 28, 1924. Their children are: Jimmie Kieth, born December 29, 1927; Norma Jean, born March 20, 1930. Reba married James C. Shoemaker, January 27, 1930. Emma Zetta, daughter of Mathias, was born December 14, 1881, married Thomas Terry December 25, 1904. She died October 11, 1910. She left two daughters: Gladys, born October 9, 1905, married Carl Phillips June 17, 1926; Veneta, born February 1, 1908, married Herbert Arnold February \_\_, 1930. Gladys's daughter, Crystal Fern, was born August 10, 1927.

Everett Masten, youngest son of Mathias, was born August 6, 1884, married Ivy Lewis October 7, 1906. Children are: Lee, born July 31, 1907, married Ethel Pauline Rector October 1929; Lena Lucille, born September 15, 1906, died December 27, 1908; Ernestine, born February 1, 1910, married Chester Wells August 17, 1929; Ennis Eugene, born March 9, 1915; Madonna Mae, born May 4, 1912, died June 27, 1913; Pauline, born March 30, 1920; Donnus Everett, born April 14, 1924.

Ella, youngest child of Mathias Masten, was born August 19, 1889, married Earl Mathews July 10, 1910. Children are: Dennis, born July 11, 1911; Eugenia, born September 26, 1917; Robert, born March 6, 1923. Earl Mathews was killed September 9, 1923.

Jessie Masten was born February 26, 1847, married Mary Ellen Baird May 31, 1877. They had six children: Rena, Ira, Maude, Arthur, Clyde, and Willis. Rena, born June 24, 1878, married Bert Smith September 21, 1904. Their children are: Nina, born March 6, 1906; Carl, born April 9, 1910; Jesse, born June 21, 1912; Crystal, born August 19, 1917. Nina married Carl Taylor. Children; Robert E., born November 9, 1925. Ira Masten, born June 19, 1883, married Ida Bowen October 17, 1902. There were three daughters: Mabel, born June 6, 1903, killed in an accident May 6, 1923; Vivian, born June 5, 1905 married Mark Hadley August 20, 1927; Mary Frances, born June 30, 1907, died November 5, 1926. Maude Masten, born March 12, 1887, married Frank Powers December 11, 1906, died May \_\_, 1928. She left a daughter, Lucille, born April 3, 1910, and a son, Ralph, born April 13, 1913. Arthur Masten, born October 3, 1889, married Lizzie Powers August 23, 1913. A daughter, Mildred Kathlene, was born September 9, 1914. Clyde Masten, born October 5, 1892, married Jennie Shuster September 9, 1916. Children are: Lavonna, born September 9, 1917; Willmadine, born October 7, 1919, killed by accident May 27, 1922; Imogene, born August 10, 1922; Wanda Alfadene, born November 13, 1926. Willis Masten, born June 6, 1898, married Ruth Edmonson February 1, 1922. Daughter Betty Jane, born August 16, 1923. Willis served in the Marines in the First World War, and was wounded in service. Jesse Masten was the last of Uncle Reuben's children to pass away. He was a very successful farmer, stock feeder, and business man. He was Vice President of the First National Bank of Coatesville from its organization until his death which occurred April 19, 1928. He and his daughter Maude are buried in the Coatesville Cemetery.

Margaret Ann Masten was born April 21, 1851, married William L. Buis May 29, 1878. She died November 2, 1891. She left







three children; Edward L., Odessa, and Elbert Otho. Edward, born November 2, 1879, married Monta Hicks February 18, 1896. Daughter, Lucille, born March 3, 1902. Odessa, born September 7, 1881, married Lee Bryan March 23, 1905. (She died January 1959). Her daughter, Margaret, born December 15, 1905. Otho Buis, born February 20, 1886, married Cleo Bailey May 24, 1906. Children: Geraldine, born January 15, 1907; Irvin, born July 7, 1908; Irene, born October 11, 1910; James, born March 11, 1913; Howard, born July 31, 1915; Wilber, born March 5, 1918, died August 14, 1937; Mary Louise, born December 19, 1920.

Emma Zetta, youngest child of Reuben S. Masten, was born December 20, 1853, married John Hodson. She died September 24, 1931. They had two sons: Roy, born April 8, 1882, married Flora Campbell, and Grover, born August 1, 1884.

Three of Reuben's children died young. John, the third child was born May 15, 1836, died May 16, 1849. Harvey, born December 4, 1844, died November 17, 1864. Sarah, born January 14, 1849, died February 23, 1865.

Ernestine and Chester Wells, daughter, Doris Jean, born July 31, 1930.

Lee and Pauline Masten, son, Jerry Lee, born December 31, 1932.

David, youngest child of Mathias and Sarah Masten, was born March 31, 1813. He came with his parents to Hendricks County when he was 17 years old. The remainder of his life was spent on the farm, which he helped to make where they located when they came to this county. He lived with and cared for his parents through their long lives. He was an active member of the Masonic Order. December 28, 1853 he married Malissa Hibbs. To this union two children were born. Both died young. Mary, born December 6, 1853, died February 15, 1854; Nicholas, born November 11, 1854 died February 28, 1855. The young wife died November 20, 1854 at the age of 25 years and 5 days. January 12, 1862, David Masten and Elizabeth Appleby were married. To them were born ten children: Charles, John, Darius, Mark, DeAntrum, Lottie Lee, Tyra, Frank, Lizzie and Liza, twins. David Masten died April 20, 1885, age 69 years and 20 days. Elizabeth was born May 8, 1844, died August 24, 1909. David, his two wives and children are buried on the old home farm which is now the Coatesville Cemetery.

Charles, born March 24, 1864, married Rose Mason March 13, 1887. They have seven children: Ethyl (Jane), Ben, Glen, Morris, Jewell, Ralph, and Marguerite. Ethyl, born December 16, 1887, married R. W. Brown February 28, 1916. Ben, born August 27, 1889 married Emma Almond December 24, 1912. He enlisted in the U.S. Army at Indianapolis April 3, 1918. Sailed from Brooklyn Pier June 27, 1918. August he went into action in Alsace Lorraine, then to the Argonne Drive, then to St. Michel Sector till October 19. March 15, 1919 he sailed from Brest, France to the United States. He arrived here March 24 and was discharged April 12, 1919. Ben has a son, Robert J. born August 30, 1926.

Glen, born December 26, 1891, married Florence Staley October 18, 1916. Daughter Eleanor Rose was born July 11, 1926.







Morris, born June 26, 1894, married Jessie Riskey, October 23, 1925. A son Donald Morris was born \_\_\_\_\_, 1927, and another son, James, was born \_\_\_\_\_.

Ralph, born March 23, 1897, married Elizabeth Morris June 17, 1927.

Jewell, born August 29, 1899, married Frances English February 10, 1932. A son, David Charles was born July 30, 1924. Marguerite, youngest child of Charles was born June 20, 1903, married Ralph Hawkins December 26, 1923. A daughter, Freda Ann was born January 11, 1932, and a daughter Sue was born \_\_\_\_\_.

John, born January 29, 1866, married Emma McAninch October 10, 1894. Three children: Guilia Florence and Garrett Otto, twins born June 23, 1897, and George, born July 21, 1904. Garrett died February 22, 1912. Guilia and Ray Newlon were married in 1929. A son Robert was born in 1930. George married Lucille Coe.

Darius, born March 12, 1868, married Flora Gambold May 10, 1910. Darius was killed in a wreck on a railroad in Missouri August 5, 1922.

Mark, born March 22, 1870, married Mary F. Roll December 1891 in St. Louis. They had one daughter, Helen Etta, born March 17, 1893. She married Lewis Foster May 6, 1919, and died November 23, 1925.

DeAntrum, born May 6, 1873, married John English. He died, and she married Jonothan E. Stoops. Adopted daughter Frances (English) born February 5, 1905. Frances married Jewell Masten( son of Charles and her cousin by adoption) February 10, 1922. DeAntrum died February 16, 1956 in Polson, Montana.

Lottie Lee, born March 22, 1876, married Henry Clay Rogers December 7, 1902. There were two daughters: Nellie Annice, born September 19, 1903, died April 25, 1921; and Elizabeth Kate, born March 26, 1907. Elizabeth Kate married Cecil Harold Rhodes September 30, 1939. A son, Richard Clay was born September 30, 1944. Henry Clay Rogers died October 24, 1955.

Tyra, born February 17, 1878, married Rea Webster October 22, 1902. A daughter, Arthella, was born February 14, 1904, and died December 12, 1927.

Frank, born April 6, 1879, mysteriously disappeared.

David's two youngest daughters, Lizzie and Liza, were born December 28, 1882. He was 66 years, 8 months and 27 days old when they were born. Liza died June 28, 1902. Lizzie was married to Fred Harlan February 14, 1905. They have three children: Elizabeth Ellen, born July 5, 1907; Thelma Janette, born April 12, 1910; and Frederic, born August 22, 1913. Elizabeth Ellen married Ronald Hays October 17, 1939. A son, James Ronald was born July 29, 1930. Fred Harlan is dead and his widow lives in Polson Montana.

"Elizabeth" Harlan is possibly the youngest living grandchild of a Revolutionary soldier. He was born March 9, 1765- she was born 117 years, 9 months and 19 days later, being now, 1933, a few days past 50 years of age.







Of the families of Mary and Sarah, daughters of Mathias Masten, we have not learned much. Mary was born April 3, 1797, married Colman Jenkins April 20, 1820, died May 30, 1832. They had six children: Filbert, John, Mary, Phoebe and Sarah. All went to Iowa and I was told they left no families. William, the youngest child was born July 8, 1839, married Ann Terry December 21, 1853 at Germantown, North Carolina. They came to Indiana a short time before the Civil War and located at Coatesville. He was a blacksmith by trade. He enlisted in Company B 148 Regiment, Indiana Volunteers and served in the Union Army. He died December 20, 1881.

They had ten children: Frank, born October 30, 1854, married Belle Essex, and died in St. Louis; Ellen, born July 23, 1857, married William Short January 26, 1879; Malissa, born May 31, 1879, married George Deatley July 7, 1881, died \_\_\_\_\_; Laura E., born June 29, 1861, died September 9, 1881; John F., born September 10, 1863, married Flora Shields, died May 7, 1912; Josephus, born June 9, 1866, died August 30, 1867; Minnie G., born June 2, 1868, died August 29, 1869; Hattie May, born August 27, 1870, married Charles Graham; Carrie Belle, born September 11, 1872, married Louis Leatherberry; Jesse, born March 29, 1876, died April 10, 1896.

Ellen Short had three daughters: Mamie, born February 23, 1885, married Fred Wolf; Lucille, born March 12, 1897, married Leslie Downie; Ellen, born May 16, 1899, married Glen Clapp

Sarah, daughter of Mathias Masten, was born November 28, 1803, married Joseph Bodenhammer, and died January 24, 1885. Joseph Bodenhammer died December 28, 1884. They had six children: Hezekiah, born June 10, 1828, married Sarah Robertson, died near Richmond, Virginia, June 18, 1828; Phoebe, born July 1, 1830, married John H. Cox, died June 5, 1890; Louisa E., born August 15, 1834, married Calvin White, died August 31, 1931. Joseph Bradford, son of Sarah Bodenhammer was born April 18, 1837, married Demaris F. Jones July 16, 1863. Their children were: William Tell, born October 30, 1865; Theodore F., born March 31, 1868, married Lilly May Grubbs. Son Boyd, born April 6, 1913. Tell married Sadie Johnson. Viola Antoinette, born May 29, 1870, married Shem Meredith June 27, 1898; Robert B. born November 9, 1873, died December 3, 1891. Joseph Grant, born November 29, 1875, married Hattie Boggs, January 23, 1905; Numa J., born June 7, 1879, married Lula M. Boggs, November 11, 1917. Demaris F. Bodenhammer died July 15, 1879. Joseph B. Bodenhammer and Anna Pedicord married December 2, 1880. Their children: Lola Lee, born April 26, 1883, married George Whitt October 3, 1906; Dick Dwight, born February 19, 1885, married Viva Montgomery May 2, 1916, daughter, Madonna Glee born April 10, 1918; Myrtle May, born July 9, 1886; Bessie Blane, born October 3, 1887, married Mathias Setness March 3, 1910; Nelly Nye, born November 8, 1889. Joseph Bradford Bodenhammer died February 10, 1932 at the age of 92 years, 9 months and 22 days. \*

\* This history of the descendants of Mathias Masten was copied from that compiled by Cyrus Masten in 1833, and borrowed from his son Vern Masten of Stilesville. A few additions and corrections were made. However, the family history of the descendants of Hezekiah Masten, Grandfather of Alda Masten Fleenor was brought up to 1961, and inserted in the proper place.

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